

**Burton Fire District  
Commissioners Meeting  
March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Station 891**

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Gary Bright  
Commissioner John Harris  
Commissioner Herbert Burnes  
Commissioner Madison Chisum

Chief Rountree  
Deputy Chief Webb

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Bright @ 18:05.

Commissioner Harris motioned to accept the agenda.  
Commissioner Burnes seconded.  
Motion approved.

Commissioner Harris motioned to accept the January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 minutes.  
Commissioner Bright seconded.  
Motion approved.

Commissioner Chisum motioned to accept the September, October, November and December 2016 & January and February 2017 financial statements.  
Commissioner Harris seconded.  
Motion approved.

**Executive session**

None needed.

**Old Business**

Contract – We received payments from both the city and town. Those payments will be rolled in to a new CD at the end of this fiscal year. It is uncertain as to what would happen if the contract does not renew.

Opticom – The Opticom system that was approved at the last meeting is up and running on 2 of the 3 intersection. Only the 21/21 intersection is not completed.

New Hires/Resignations – Jon Mosher resigned due to other business interests. Hamilton Wilson & Andrew Gatlin were hired in December and just finished recruit school with Bluffton FD. Firefighter Wilson received two of the awards given out at

graduation. Also John Kuehler, Vincent Dean and Jason Lee were hired and started this month. All three have experience and will not be attending recruit school.

Fatal Fires- Arrests have been made for the fatal fire in Bon Aire. The fatal fire in the mobile home park off Shanklin Rd. is still under investigation.

Gray's Hill/Engine 82 lawsuit – Still in progress.

K-9 Abby – has been working successfully outside of the Burton Fire District.

Seabrook Property – The designated wetland probability has improved. The district is ready to move forward with a title search.

FEMA – We have received reimbursement from FEMA for the Payroll and equipment usage.

Windsor Rd. property – Commissioner Burnes made an official motion to allow Chief Rountree to extend the 1 year note with Palmetto State Bank for the Windsor Rd. property that was purchased in February 2016.  
Commissioner Harris seconded the motion.  
Motion approved with a unanimous vote.

An interest only payment and a written request for a one year extension were both made on the 6<sup>th</sup> of March. Initially signed by Chairman Gary Bright – pending official motion/approval at today's meeting.

### **New Business**

NARCAN – Administration has been approved and used successfully by our firefighter-EMTs.

SCBA Cylinders – NFPA regulations limit carbon fiber cylinders to 15 year usage. Hydrostatic testing is done every 5 years. The district is seeking permission to take expired cylinders off of our systems. We have 44 as of today.  
Commissioner Harris motioned to allow the removal of the expired cylinders.  
Commissioner Burnes seconded.  
Motion approved with a unanimous vote.

### **Chiefs Report**

No guidance has been given on budget from the county yet.  
No COLA percentages have been mentioned as of today.  
Chief Rountree is working on a flat budget.

### **Adjournment**

Commissioner Harris motioned to adjourn.  
Commissioner Chisum seconded.  
Meeting adjourned at 19:15.